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RIVER TAKES TOLL: BOY AND GIRL DROWNED WHILE IN BATHING

Ray Howard of Sevier County Drowned Sunday; Miss Norma Richardson of Texarkana Drowned Monday.

Miss Norma Richardson, aged 21 years, a resident of Texarkana, was drowned in Little River, under the steel bridge Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The body was not found until 9 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Miss Richardson, accompanied by her brother, his wife and a young boy probably 16 years of age, had gone to the river for an outing, and the young lady had entered the water on the shoal above the bridge and was wading down stream about midway the point where the Cossatot empties into Little River when she struck water over her head, the current carrying her down stream, sinking a few yards above the upper edge of the bridge.

J. W. Lang, who operates a refreshment stand near the river heard the cries for help and rushed to the river but the young lady had gone down her last time. Efforts were immediately made to rescue the body, but only a very few people were at the river at that time. As soon as word could reach Wilton and Ashdown men rushed to the scene of the tragedy and the search began which lasted all through the night and up until 9 o'clock Tuesday morning when the body was found. When discovered the body was slowly floating down stream some 75 yards from the place where it was last seen in the death struggle. It is thought that the body was moved from the spot from which it lay all night by stirring water or probably a hook from the lines which were being used to fish for the body started it down stream.

The body of Miss Richardson was taken to Texarkana soon after it had been taken from the water, where the funeral will be held. Her family is composed of a mother, five brothers and two sisters.

Boy Drowns Sunday.

Ray Howard, a twenty year old boy, whose parents live on the Gilliam farm at Paraciffa, lost his life Sunday afternoon while bathing in Little River near the steel bridge at Mills Ferry. The accident occurred while hundreds of people were in the river bathing, many of who were unaware of what was happening until the struggling youth had gone down the last time. Howard was swimming behind a boat in the swift water below the shoal, which is some hundred yards below the bridge. Suddenly he began to cry for help. He came to the surface several times as he was swept down the river and into deeper water. The people in the boat followed him but did not succeed in getting him into the boat. Other bathers made ineffectual efforts to rescue him. Euclid Cooper of Wilton sprang into the water with his clothes on and almost reached him before he sank for the last time. He went down within a few feet of the boat. The river was

Winthrop Had Barbecue and Ball Game Saturday

The editor of the News had the pleasure of attending the barbecue at Winthrop Saturday. We arrived too late for the dinner, but in time to see the ball game between Winthrop and Foreman, in which Foreman was the winner by a score of 11 to 7. The game was full of pep and interest. A large crowd from all over the county was in attendance, and speaking of candidates, we believe they were all there to answer to the roll call.

We made the trip in our tin Lizzy by the way of Oak Hill and Allene, and found the crop prospects good. The cotton crop in that section seems to be above the average and still blooming, indicating that Little River county will be at the count with a large crop of cotton. In many instances we found that corn needed rain, but considering everything it is doing well.

We returned by the way of Foreman and on this road the crops are rain very badly. The principal crop from Winthrop to Foreman this year was cantaloupes. It is understood that the price on cantaloupes were not very good this year.

We reached Foreman in time to spend some time in that hustling city, and to shake hands with our many friends there. After witnessing a good all round fist fight between two prominent citizens of that place, we returned home, calling it an afternoon well spent.

Army Worm Here.

Reports from various sections of the county this week say that the army worm has arrived in the county and is now at work on the cotton.

dragged and the body recovered in about forty minutes. A doctor was present and used every effort to restore him. A younger brother of the drowned youth was present. The body was carried to him home by Ashdown parties who were at the river at the time. The tragedy threw a shadow over the great crowd gathered at the river.

These are the fourth and fifth victims claimed by the river at this place in the past few years.

Should Have Danger Marks.

People agree that some steps should be taken to place danger signs at this popular bathing place warning bathers of the danger spots beyond which it is not safe to go. Thousands of people are bathing at this place every summer, hundreds of them coming as far away as Texarkana, people not familiar with the river, young boys and girls, every class of bathers. The river is ever ready to reach and claim a victim in an unwary moment, and as the years pass the list of victims increase. The coming of the highways to this place is going to see the throngs increase from the very farthest places. We would not see this delightful and accessible spot abandoned as a bathing place for it will always be that, but it should be made safe so far as is humanly possible. Otherwise it must and will continue to take toll of life and bring tragic sorrow to homes.

END OF RY. STRIKE DECLARED ALREADY AGREED

Formal Ratification of Peace Plans Said to Be Assured—Is Partial Victory.

Chicago, July 30.—Peace terms already have been agreed to in the countrywide railway strike, and formal ratification has been assured through President Harding's efforts, it was asserted tonight by a man in close official touch with the situation.

All that now remains before the strike, which has cost the workers upward of \$40,000,000 in wages, passes into history, it was asserted, is the formal endorsement of the terms of settlement by the railway executives, meeting in New York, and the strike leaders, who will convene in Chicago at the same hour.

"The acceptance of President Harding's proposal was a foregone conclusion before T. Dewitt Cuyler issued the call for the meeting of the rail executives in New York and Bert M. Jewell, head of the striking shopmen, summoned a similar meeting of union chiefs for the same date," declared this man, who has been in closest touch with the entire situation.

Issues Back to Board.

"The rail executives finally will decide to yield for the good of the country, sweeping aside the seniority issue," he continued, "but their gesture will give little consolation to the men who walked out July 1, for besides their losses in pay they will lose some of their seniority rights to the men who remained at work, see their original grievances returned to the railroad board for rehearing, and the question of a national adjustment board and certain other points taken up by congress.

"The exact terms probably will not be known until after Tuesday's meetings, but whatever they are, the objections of a minority on either side will not be sufficiently strong to obstruct or prevent their ratification by both sides. The seniority issue has been raised since the beginning of the strike, it must be remembered, and it is not as great a stumbling block as it has seemed at times. When the time comes it will be disposed of with justice to all and to the satisfaction of the great majority of workers."

Union Chiefs Confident.

With the leaders of the striking railway shopmen hurrying here for Tuesday's conference on President Harding's peace plan, union leaders tonight also expressed strong hopes that this week will see the end of the walkout which began July 1.

Bert M. Jewell, head of the shop crafts' union, refused to comment on statements made by railway executives that the question of restoration of seniority rights to the shopmen may prevent settlement. Other strike leaders, however, declared that when the men go back to work they will regain their former status.

From the first, union leaders have maintained that the seniority question had been dragged into the dispute by the carriers purely as an issue to delay negotiations on the original grievances, wages, working rules and outside contracting by the carriers.

Foreman Leaguers Here.

The Foreman Epworth Leaguers conducted a program at the Methodist church in this city Sunday night, taking the place of the regular preaching hour. It was a most splendid program and a credit to that live and active bunch of young people. The house was packed to its capacity with local young people, the young peoples' societies from the other churches in town attending. Such a large number of young people together in this work was a real inspiration to all who attended. The Ashdown League have received and have accepted an invitation to visit Foreman next Sunday night and to conduct a program at that place.

Korean Talked.

The preaching hour at the Methodist church Sunday morning was turned over to Miss Buie, returned missionary from Korea, and Mr. Yun, a native of that country who returned with her for the purpose of entering an American college and receiving an English education. He speaks no English and has been in this country but a few days. Miss Buie acted as interpreter. He spoke very rapidly for a few minutes and would pause while Miss Buie repeated what he had said. He showed a rare intellect. He gave some of his first impressions on this country, gave a brief history of Korea and its religions, then the introduction of Christianity and its subsequent spread to all parts of that country.

MOB LYNCHES NEGRO NEAR GUERNSEY

Killed Body With Bullets After Taking Him From Train—Slay-ers Not Identified.

Hope, July 28.—John West, negro, aged about 50, was shot to death by six or eight unidentified men near Guernsey, five miles south of Hope, about 2 o'clock this afternoon. While it is the general belief that the negro was lynched, officers who investigated say the black probably was shot after he flourished a pistol and threatened the men who intended only to whip him.

West and a white man, Andrew Worthing, both employed by the Kaw Paving Company, engaged in a street paving work here, staged a fight this morning. Worthing is said to have taken exceptions to a statement by the negro that "he was as good as any white man." West struck Worthing with a sledge hammer, but the white man was not dangerously injured.

Worthing and West were arrested and taken before the mayor, who fined them both for disturbing the peace. Later West was advised to leave town. He bought a ticket for Texarkana, and boarded Missouri Pacific train No. 35 at 1:45 p. m.

Crowd Alights From Train.

At a coroner's inquest soon after the killing, witnesses said that when the train reached Guernsey the negro and a crowd of white men alighted. They said they noticed nothing unusual until a few minutes later when they heard the reports of several shots. The witnesses said they went to a grove about 100 yards from the railroad track and found the negro's body riddled with bullets. The black was clutching a .38 caliber revolver in his left hand. One shot recently had been fired, it was said.

Little is known here concerning the negro. He established a reputation for impudence, since coming here about two weeks ago, officers say. He was short in stature, and weighed about 165 pounds. He was noticeable in that he wore his beard in goatlike fashion. His body is being held here.

Worthing also has been here but a short time. He was a foreman of a paving gang. Both Worthing and West are said to have come from Kansas.

There was little excitement on the streets this afternoon when the news of the killing reached Hope.

This is the second lynching at Hope within the last 18 months, Brownie Tuggles having been hanged here on the night of March 15, 1921, because of an alleged attack on a white woman.

FOR CHANCELLOR C. E. JOHNSON

To the Voters of Little River County: On the eve of the election I extend my thanks to my friends in this county. I have made this race for Chancellor of the Sixth District of Arkansas upon my own merits and not upon the demerits of my opponent. I have not had an opportunity to personally see all of the voters of this county, due to the fact that my time has been consumed in the other counties of the District. This was not because I did not wish to see every voter in this county but because it has been impossible as there are nine counties in the District and approximately 25000 voters.

My opponent up to this date has made no charges against me, although I have been in the race the past six months. I hope the campaign will end without mud slinging, however, I understand that my opponent contemplates running an ad in the current issue of the paper the contents of which could not possibly be known to me in time to answer before the election, therefore, I call upon each of my friends to be on the alert and see to it that eleventh hour campaign lies are not permitted to gain circulation.

My election is certain. I will carry at least seven out of the nine counties of the District with a majority of at least 5,000 votes.

Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

C. E. JOHNSON,
Candidate for Chancellor,
Sixth District of Ark.

Government Estimate Received Tuesday

The Government cotton estimate was received in this city Tuesday morning based on the July 22nd census. The estimated number of bales is given at 11,449,000 and the condition is given at 70.8 per cent and an average of 157.2 pounds per acre. This is considered a bullish report.

Bank Barometer Shows Prosperity

Little Rock, July 28.—There is no more certain barometer of the state's prosperity than the condition of its banks. A statement issued today by State Bank Commissioner Charles McKee shows a most gratifying condition, indicative of an increased degree of prosperity that promises an early return of the normal conditions in industry, finance and commerce. This report shows that 402 state banks and 83 national banks had total resources May 5, 1922, amounting to \$219,111,000. This is compared with a total of \$98,532,000 for 405 state banks and 59 national banks December 31st, 1914, an increase in 8 years of 122 per cent.

The deposits for the same period increased from \$59,133,000 to \$156,612,000, an increase of 166 per cent.

The capital, surplus and undivided profits of the same banks increased during the same period from \$28,017,000 to \$38,061,000, an increase of 35 per cent. The loans and discounts increased from \$65,864,000 to \$148,443,000, an increase of 125 per cent.

One of the most interesting statements worked out by the Commissioner is that showing the growth of saving accounts from June 1914 to June 1922, as follows:

1914	\$ 3,790,000
1915	\$ 3,818,000
1916	5,104,000
1917	7,875,000
1918	8,624,000
1919	9,907,000
1920	12,450,000
1921	13,317,000
1922	14,459,000

This shows an increase of 280 per cent in the savings accounts of Arkansas in 8 years. Each year shows an increase over the preceding.

The cash and sight exchange of 402 state banks June 30, 1922 were \$26,723,000 as compared with \$13,081,000 for 417 state banks in 1914.

Loans and discounts decreased from \$113,064,000 in 1921, June 30, to \$101,031,000 June 30, 1922, showing a healthy liquidation.

The item of bills payable and rediscounts for the same period also decreased from \$25,612,000 in 1921 to \$12,384,000 in 1922.

The item of deposits in state banks is also gratifying in the extent of the increase, as shown by the following:

June 30, 1914,	417 banks, \$44,904,000.
June 30, 1921,	406 banks, \$104,393,000.
May 5, 1922,	402 banks, \$104,629,000.
June 30, 1922,	402 banks, \$106,276,000.

FAULKNER-BOOKOUT

Louis Faulkner of Ashdown and Miss Irene Bookout of Idabel Wed.

Louis Faulkner of this city and Miss Irene Bookout of Idabel were married at the latter place Sunday. They will make their home at this place, where the groom has a position as an auto-mechanic. Both are well known and have numerous friends here. The bride is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Furlow of this city.

CLOSE OF TARIFF DEBATE IN SIGHT

Rapid Progress Expected to Follow Disposal of Wool Schedule—To Vote By August 15.

Washington, July 30.—With consideration of the wool schedule nearly complete, the Senate is expected to make more rapid progress in the tariff debate this week. The Democrats regard the wool schedule as the last one of major importance, and from now on say they will offer only a perfunctory opposition to the various duties. They profess willingness to enter into an agreement for a final vote on or about August 15.

If the Senate passes the tariff bill at that time, conferees of the House and Senate will require until about September 15 before they are able to present their conference report. Another week or two will be required to obtain the approval of the conference report in the houses. If there is no hitch in this program, which easily might be upset by disagreements between Senate and House conferees, Congress may be able to adjourn early in October.

Final adjournment of the season at an early date in October would mean the sidetracking of ship subsidy legislation until next session, in all probability. It would easily be possible to enact a soldiers' bonus bill into law during the month's period while the tariff is in conference.

Present Situation.

As the situation now stands, the tariff bill will be ready to be sent to conference about the time the House returns to work August 15.

Propriety of the activity of the Western senators with a large financial interests in the wool-growing industry in behalf of the high duties on wool contained in the pending tariff bill has become an issue not only in the discussion in the Senate, but also in the election campaign.

An investigation of the financial connections of senators with the wool-growing industry, as provided by the resolution introduced yesterday by Senator Caraway of Arkansas, has been brought forward in a manner that will cause it to continue to be a question widely discussed.

New Cotton Gin Is Being Erected Here

Sanderson and Orton of this city broke ground Monday for the erection of a new gin at this place. The gin is being built on the former site of the Penton livery barn on the west side. The gin will be a new outfit complete with four 70 saw Gullett gin stands with room left for a fifth. They expect to complete the gin and be ready for business in six weeks. This will be the fourth gin for this city and will have a capacity of thirty bales per day.

STRONG BANKING SERVICE

Invest Your Money Locally

Through the Certificates of Deposit issued by the Arkansas State Bank it is possible for anyone living in Ashdown and vicinity to invest money locally.

Every dollar deposited in a Certificate of Deposit issued here is to assist local enterprises, local improvements, better farming.

Help your town and your community to grow by placing your spare funds in a Certificate of Deposit issued by this bank.

ARKANSAS STATE BANK

No Red Tape—We do or we don't
A. E. Waters, President
J. L. Martin, Cashier
C. M. Saxon, Assistant Cashier.

Eight Good Reasons

You will find at least eight good reasons why you can well afford to put your surplus money into a "Certificate of Deposit."

- 1—It is always safe.
- 2—You can use it as security for a loan.
- 3—You can quickly turn it into cash again.
- 4—You can cash it anywhere just like a check.
- 5—It is the best way to keep your money all in one lump sum.
- 6—You can buy a "C. of D." for any amount, no matter how large or how small.
- 7—You can keep a part of your money in this form, to be used only in case of special opportunity or sudden need.
- 8—Your profit (interest) starts the very hour the Certificate is issued to you and continues until you call for your money again.

Think it over.

First National Bank